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ROSENBERG DEATH DATE: WEEK OF JAN. 12

Top scientists tear holes in Greenglass' trial story

By Lawrence Emery

FRESH from his exposure by a state Crime Commission as one of a circle of legal dignitaries friendly with New York's No. 1 underworld figure, U. S. Atty. Myles J. Lane moved swiftly in the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. On Thursday he received notice of the Supreme Court's refusal to review the couple's conviction and death sentence as "atom spies." On Friday he was in trial judge Irving R. Kaufman's court to seek a new execution date. The judge set the week of Jan. 12.

Emanuel H. Bloch, attorney for the Rosenbergs, moved swiftly too. On Monday he filed with Judge Kaufman a petition to invalidate the convictions and set aside the sentences on these grounds:

- That the Rosenbergs did not receive a fair trial because of the climate of hysteria in which it was held;
- That the prosecution knowingly used perjured testimony;
- That the A-bomb secrets allegedly given the Soviet Union were not secrets at all, but available to any scientist who troubled to read scientific material already made public in 1944 and 1945.

If the petition is denied, it will be appealed to a higher court. Failure there will leave only two other legal courses open to save the lives of the young couple: a formal request to the trial judge for a reduction of sentence, and a formal application for Presidential clemency.

"INCONCEIVABLE" FEAT: The lengthy petition (more than 100 pages) charged that

> . . . the prosecuting and investigative officials of the Department of Justice "caused and stimulated . . . massive pre-

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THE CASE ON AMERICA'S CONSCIENCE: UNION SQ. RALLY FOR SACCO & VANZETTI, 1926
An innocent fish peddler and shoemaker died. Must the Rosenbergs be victims of the same ghoulish justice?

The Rosenbergs, 3-Finger Brown and U. S. Justice

By Elmer Bendiner

IN a brief raising of the curtain last week on federal justice in the witch-hunt era, the U.S. attorneys who sent the Rosenbergs to the death-house and Alger Hiss to jail—and the one currently trying Communist Party leaders in New York—were shown to have more in common than zeal against "subversives." They share a friend: Thomas "Three Finger Brown" Luchese, identified in N.Y. State Crime Commission hearings as Frank Costello's successor as "co-ordinator of rackets in the N.Y. area." These were highlights of the story that emerged:

- IRVING SAYPOL—who became U.S. Atty. after assisting in the first N.Y. trial of CP leaders, won a death sentence for the Rosenbergs and then was made a judge—has dined publicly with Luchese and met him at race tracks.
- Luchese called at the home of THOMAS MURPHY, now on the federal bench after prosecuting Hiss, to congratulate him when Murphy was appointed N.Y. Police Commissioner; the Murphys dined with the Lucheses, the Lucheses in return visited the Murphys' summer home on Long Island. (Further questioning about the Luchese-Murphy relationship was choked off by hearings chairman and former N.Y. Supreme Court Justice Proskauer, who said: "Let it go at that. . . . The mere fact that a man like Judge Murphy is named is no reflection on him. . . .")

MYLES LANE
Most embarrassing

- U.S. ATTY. MYLES LANE, former Dartmouth football star who brushed off for the government the Rosenberg and Hiss appeals, was shown to be a friend of 3-4 years' standing of Rackets Coordinator Luchese; he went to Washington with him and introduced him to his wife. (Lane, who is now prosecuting CP leaders but lately turned over much of his work to assistants, popped back into court two days after his relations with Luchese were exposed to demand a contempt citation for Elizabeth Gurley Flynn because she would not become an informer.)

HIGH TYPE GENTLEMAN: Luchese has twice been arrested for murder, once for receiving stolen goods, once for vagrancy (not convicted on any of these counts); served time for auto theft; was named by the Fed. Narcotics Bureau, New England Divn., as an associate of vice and dope king Lucky Luciano. The hearings showed that after strenuous efforts by an aide in Myles Lane's office he won a good-conduct certificate from the N.Y. Parole Board, restoring his right to vote.

Hob-nobbing with mayors, governors, as well as many judges and prosecutors, Luchese could pay well for favors. He generously bought tickets for Democratic Party dinners (sometimes as much as $2,000 worth). But some of the men he knew he could not buy. Of ALP chairman Vito Marcantonio whom he said he had known "since I was a young man," this is what was said:

> Q: "Made any contributions or loans to him?"
>
> A: "No. As a matter of fact, one day I asked him and he said, 'No, Tom, I have all the money I need, no contribution from anyone.'"

BENCHES FOR SALE: While many judges rise to the bench over the bodies of witch-hunt victims, another method was outlined before the commission by Frank L. Dufficy, asst. U.S. Atty. 1939-44. In 1947, when Municipal Judge Manuel Katzenstein was about to retire, Dufficy testified he had taken a taxi ride with Democratic dist. leader William Connolly who had said Dufficy's chance of replacing Katzenstein depended on "whether I made satisfactory arrangements":

> "He said it had always been the arrangement in the club and in the other clubs that when a district leader had a nomination for a Municipal Court judgeship to give out, that the one who got the nomination would give to the district leader at least one year's salary plus a campaign fund of at least $5,000. . . . He told me that he had an offer on behalf of one of the lawyers in the club of $15,000 for himself for the nomination—that is for Mr. Connolly—plus a campaign fund of at least $10,000. [Connolly set $100,000 as the price for a State Supreme Court judgeship, according to Dufficy.] And he asked if I would be willing to match that. . . . He said it [$15,000] was for him, his individual capacity, and was not to go into the club treasury. . . . A few days after . . . Connolly said, 'Well, if you are not willing to pay for it . . . I am not going to give it to you or anyone else who is not willing to pay for it.' A few days after, an announcement appeared in the press that the designation went to another lawyer in the club."

FREEDOM FROM WANT: Though requiring an investment, judgeships can pay off handsomely—as shown in the case of former State Supreme Court Justice Aaron J. Levy who served two 14-year terms at $28,000 a year. His salary 1946-1951, was $140,000; his books showed an income of $326,025, expenditures of $80,000 more than that. He transferred to a son-in-law David E. Frankenstein 8,100 shares of stock worth $125,000, awarded 70 receiverships to his family maid (a lucrative patronage made up of court fees and other gravy involved in administering funds), bought securities in his maid's name and took the dividends as she received them.

Pressed to explain the handling of some of this money, Frankenstein told the commission:

> "I invested in the American capitalist system."

NOBODY HOME: Luchese, himself, was unavailable last week. He had given his testimony behind closed doors; was subpenaed to appear for public grilling, but filed a motion before the State Supreme Court to vacate the subpena. Before that motion could be argued, the Commission yielded to the Rackets Coordinator completely, contenting itself with reading into the record his 600 pages of private testimony and agreeing never to subpena him "to testify at this or any future hearing, public or private."

U.S. marshals were said to be seeking Luchese for denaturalization and deportation proceedings; he was not in to them at his Queens, N.Y., home, his Lido Beach summer residence, his Manhattan office, his favorite resorts in New Jersey or Florida. On Thursday the Commission, without calling witch-hunters Saypol, Murphy or Lane to explain their connections with Luchese, abruptly ended its inquiry into politics, shifted its interest to the waterfront.

NEW TRIAL FOR TRENTON TWO

By William A. Reuben

TRENTON N. J., Nov. 24

A NEW trial was ordered here today for the last two of the Trenton Six, when the N.J. Supreme Court unanimously reversed the conviction of Ralph Cooper and Collis English.

They had been sentenced to die with four others in 1948 in a conviction which also had been reversed by the N.J. Supreme Court.

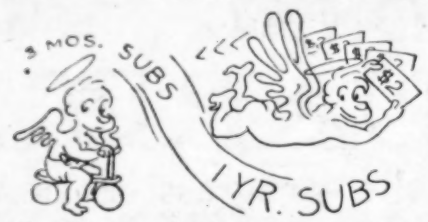
At 10 a.m. the seven justices came into the courtroom and Chief Justice Vanderbilt said: "The opinion leads to a reversal and a trial de novo and I so move." Each of the other justices then said "Reverse."

The second sentence was life imprisonment for Cooper and English, passed on them when the other four defendants were freed a year and a half ago. Three grounds for reversal were cited: the court held that Prosecutor Mario H. Volpe had "improperly injected" evidence to the prejudice of defendants, and charged him with "patently improper practices" and "nebulous" reasoning. Volpe said:

> "The decision seems to sustain us in almost every respect except for a few technical matters. . . . I doubt if a new trial can be held before the first of the year."

Collis English, still in jail with Cooper after nearly five years there for a crime they could not possibly have committed, was desperately ill and too sick to be moved.

LET'S GET GOING



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For lesser evilites

MOBERLY, MO.

Every GUARDIAN reader who voted for the "Lesser Evil" should have his head examined. The "Lesser Evil" was going around red-baiting Gen. Eisenhower. What "lesser this or that" do our friends expect—someone to prove that Czar Nicholas was behind the October Revolution with the collusion of Douglas MacArthur? There was and is ONE man that might save America from utter destruction, and his name was and is Vincent Hallinan. May God give him strength to do so as those who deserted him see their error.

(Rev.) David W. Janes

What we do next

EUGENE, ORE.

The GUARDIAN has asked for comments on the elections and what to do next.

First, it seems obvious that there will be a realignment of forces. The "liberal" Democrats need no longer apologize for the Dixiecrats; they are now free to attack vigorously and to work with progressives. We can also expect defections from the Republicans, especially as disillusionment with Eisenhower sets in.

It seems to me that the Progressive Party has two main tasks — organizational and ideological. Organizationally it must:

1. Develop active clubs and groups. This means regular meetings, a systematized collection of dues, business-like agendas, and the election of responsible officers.

2. Build the GUARDIAN. Without the GUARDIAN there can be no Progressive Party, except on a small, dormant basis.

3. Respond to every local issue which affects the welfare of the citizenry.

4. Coalitions of the broadest kind on a local basis.

Ideologically, the Progressive Party must continue to point the way away from war and toward peace. It must also analyze, as it has to this point done only inadequately, the various strata of our population, its movements, its psychology, its allies, its leadership. This must be done realistically.

Bob Flagg

Cause for Thanksgiving

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Open letter to President-elect Eisenhower:

Many congratulations on your election, which will enable you to carry out that infinitely important list of promises that you made in your campaign. Naturally, my friends and I are delighted at the prospect of seeing the boys brought back from Korea, and at the hope of seeing our economy of prosperity, as you say, "based on peace, not war."

The only question now is as to how soon you can do it. Can the boys get home in time to celebrate Christmas here? It would probably be impossible to bring them back for Thanksgiving. But it would not be impossible to start at once canceling war orders and substituting for them orders for such peacetime necessities as housing, automobiles, clothing, etc. If you suggested such measures, President Truman would undoubtedly be glad to act at once. His final days in the White House would then be accompanied by universal blessings, and we should enjoy such a Thanksgiving as this country has never yet known.

Eric A. Starbuck

Look to the future

PALO ALTO, CALIF.

I have never admired the GUARDIAN and its editors more than on reading (promptly on its arrival) the first post-election number. It was manly, undiscouraged, unembittered, penetrating in its analysis, future-minded, firm—"an ever fixed mark that looks on tempests and is never shaken," full of practical hard sense. After a short vacation from spending, I expect to send $5 a month during 1953, beginning in January.

Alice Hill Byrne

How California did it

SEBASTOPOL, CALIF.

We include here the script, list of tours, expenses, and snapshots which tell you the story of the Ind. Progressive Party sound truck project for the campaign in the

1st Cong. Dist., Calif., in the November election. Two workers with children and one single, unemployed woman devoted every day for a week to this project. We covered six counties out of seven in the 1st C.D. I donated my truck and the I.P.P. donated the rental money for the sound equipment. It is a '29 model "A" truck. I shall donate it to the I.P.P. for future issues, and we hope the I.P.P. can again raise money for sound equipment in the future.

Lois Murray

Eisenhower in Lawrence

LAWRENCE, MASS.

Typical comments from people as to why they voted for Eisenhower: "Something has to be done about the high prices and the mills closing"; and from a mother, "I just want my boy home from Korea."

Several thousand Lawrencians gathered to hear Mr. Truman during the "whistle stop" tour, were disappointed when he failed to show any awareness of the desperate situation of the people of this city. He did not even mention unemployment or textiles until faced with it by a local reporter. Only then did he say he was trying to effect some relief.

The people of Lawrence are not interested in 'liberating" the peoples of socialist countries. They want to know where they can find a job, how to feed and clothe their families in the long, cold winter ahead. Parents want their sons home from Korea.

Instead of peace and security they have been offered the heads of Alger Hiss and Harold Christofel, well garnished with red herring, and the promise of bigger and better witch-hunts.

One week after Truman's visit, Gen. Ike invaded the city and, being well briefed on the Truman fiasco, paid lip-service to the needs of the people. He promised that, if elected, within 30 days he would name a commission to study remedies for the textile slump; and that it was his opinion that more South Korean men be trained to replace American soldiers. This eleventh hour demagogy, in my estimation, helped to sway many independent votes to the Ike-Nixon team in this Democratic stronghold.

Marjorie Balfour

Attention, young writers

NEW YORK, N. Y.

On one vital aspect of American life, N. Y. Times drama critic Brooks Atkinson and Samual Sillen, editor of Masses and Mainstream, find themselves in agreement: the American theatre is sick. The disease, of course, is fear—of the witch-hunters and their weapon of blacklist and economic destruction.

The death of the theatre is inevitable only if it is abandoned in despair to those who would kill it. Playwrights cannot become defeatist; good plays must be written; without them we cannot begin to tackle the problems of production and ever-wider audiences.

Actors, directors and theatre technicians with whom I've discussed the problem all agree that playwrights must be brought together—not merely for discussion, but for work. A seminar-workshop is needed, where techniques can be studied and works-in-progress developed. It was suggested that for playwrights throughout the nation, from whom much has to be heard, critical evaluation and guidance could be achieved through a correspondence service.

I'm interested in exploring the possibilities of such a project on a professional basis. But the practicability of the idea requires testing. The response of GUARDIAN readers, I feel, would be of real assistance in making the evaluation.

Lester Cole

Lester Cole is well-known to GUARDIAN readers as a playwright and top Hollywood scenarist for many years and as one of the Hollywood Ten. He was blacklisted and served a year in prison for his refusal to cooperate with the Un-American Activities Comm. All communications to him should be sent care of the GUARDIAN. Ed.

How crazy can you get dept.

Wool fights for its life in the tinsel world of synthetics. The boys in our armed forces are the best dressed soldiers in the world. The Army still insists on wool. . . . The German Army bet on synthetics. They lost. No one should ever forget how the mild mannered ewe won the battle of Stalingrad.

—California Farmer, Nov. 1.

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REPORT TO READERS

Thanksgiving, the Trenton Six, the Rosenbergs, you and us

IN THIS THANKSGIVING SEASON, we of the GUARDIAN staff give special thanks for the opportunity afforded us four years ago to bring to national and world attention the frame-up of the Trenton Six; and similarly in the Rosenberg Case in 1951-52.

The victories won in the Trenton Case—which the whole U. S. press ignored when we took it up in 1948—indicate what the people can do to right injustice when they can get at the facts. It has taken more than four years, but now the score is that four of the Six who were condemned to death are free and a new trial has been granted the other two (see p. 1)—with every indication that they, too, will go free. Thus the spark set off by the original GUARDIAN stories on the case, kindling indignation and protest all over the world, is winning the most notable victory of its kind since the Scottsboro Case.

AN EVEN GREATER WORLD PROTEST, in a much shorter time, is mounting over the Rosenberg Case—on which the nation and the world first learned the real facts from last year's GUARDIAN series by William A. Reuben, our reporter who uncovered the Trenton frame-up.

Although little time remains, we are confident that this mounting protest can save the lives of the Rosenbergs—and that time will bring them vindication as it has the Trenton Six. What you can do further to help stimulate the mass appeal for clemency is outlined on p. 4.

WE ARE THANKFUL, then, for the part we have been privileged to play as newspaper men and women, in the fight for justice in these two cases. But above all we are thankful for the kind of readers we have—who when they get the facts will re-broadcast them, initiate protests, finance the causes and redouble the effort if the going seems bad.

We have tried to say some of these things in a letter to those of you who are subscribers—a letter asking your renewed support of the GUARDIAN for '53 as a reader, and a little bit extra because we frankly can't continue on our subscription income alone.

We hope you will answer this letter of ours this year, planning to stick with the rest of us for '53 and to continue as in the past to bring our paper and the cause it espouses to new recruits every week and month.

WE ARE COUNTING ON YOU, just as the causes of peace, justice and democracy are counting on you if they are to be nailed down for the future.

We believe we already know your answer, but won't you tell us by mail—this week?

—THE EDITORS

The Rosenberg children visit their parents

TWO little boys
Went to see their mom and dad
After a year
A year is a long time
When you're five years old
And even when you're nine
It may be hard to remember
What life
With mother and father
Was like
Before the death-house shadow fell
On the after-school bread and butter
And the goodnight kiss
And the touseled yell
In the morning
"Get up, mom!"

After the months in the Shelter
The no-story nights
The cold mornings
The fingers pointing
"Spy, spy, got to die!"
After the barred windows
The whispers, the creaks in the dark, the faces
The strange faces
Coming, going, changing
Asking, telling, explaining
How can you explain
To two little boys

Your mother and father are sentenced to die in the electric chair

Where
In God's name
Will you find words to explain
The cold war, the hate, the lies
The hunt for spies, the shame of justice pounding
Two young Jewish people

Your father and your mother
Living on the block like other folk
Getting in the laundry
Coming home from work
Laughing, singing, worrying
Fussing, "Hurry, hurry
"Supper's ready"

It may be hard for two little boys to remember
But they remember well

(Those other two)
The mother and the father
In the stone-ringed cell
Through the long year
Waiting, waiting
For the day to come
For the hour to near
While the heart breaks
And the hand clasps its breaking
They remember
What jokes to tell
What songs to sing
To bring
The memories of home back
With nickel candy
From the prison store

Each one holds to his breast a son
And hears
The sweet boyish laughter
Ring
The death-stalked wall

Were there tears?
Yes, there were tears
They came after

—Mildred Burgum

From all over the world --- protests against the Rosenberg death sentence

HERE are excerpts from some of the hundreds of messages that have come in from all over the world protesting the death sentences against the Rosenbergs:

Religion

I know enough about the case to have serious doubts about some matters of due process, and I am advised by lawyers in whom I have confidence that there is indeed a grave question in this respect. Furthermore, the atmosphere in which the trial was conducted made a fair trial almost impossible. . . . I have a firm and unshakable opinion . . . that no conviction for alleged espionage where Russia was concerned at a time when Russia was a military ally should carry with it the death sentence.

Rev. JOHN PAUL JONES
Union Church of Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, N. Y.

I was shocked. . . . I feel that the sentence is too severe because it is not commensurate with that meted out to others guilty of the same offense.

Dr. ROLAND H. BAINTON
Yale Divinity School

The copy of the letter you sent me from the Rev. John Paul Jones perfectly expresses my feelings in relation to the Rosenberg Case.

Rev. WILLIAM C. CRAVNER
Alabama

We are watching with deepest anxiety your efforts to secure remission of this terrible sentence.

Rev. STANLEY EVANS
London, England

. . . The death sentences seem horribly severe, their alleged crime and timing considered.

Rev. FRANK A. HAMILTON
Evansville, Ind.

I oppose the alleged political beliefs of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg —but the death sentence, a product of hysteria and not of justice, should be set aside by President Truman.

Rabbi G. GEORGE FOX
Chicago

Arts & letters

If the American government sends these young and heroic parents to their death, it will be remembered forever as the most shameful act committed against American democracy.

DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS
Mexico City

The death sentence is an atavistic left-over of barbaric times. No authority has the right in these times to deny life to anyone.

JOHANNA & MARTIN ANDERSON NEXO
Denmark

We must see that Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg remain alive. Then, we must thoroughly and honestly investigate their right to complete freedom.

ANTON REFREGIER
Woodstock, N. Y.

Deeply distressed unprecedented sentence of Rosenbergs on doubtful inadequate evidence. In name of humanity please reconsider sentence.

MILES MALLESON, WALTER HUDD, PETER COPLEY, MARK DIGNAM, ANDRE VAN GYSEGHEM (Actors), London

(To the Supreme Court:) For the honor of the United States, change the Rosenberg sentence.

MOUVEMENT CONTRE LE RACISME, L'ANTISEMITISME ET POUR LA PAIX
Marc Chagall, pres., Paris

I have followed this trial carefully and it appears to be a repetition of the Sacco-Vanzetti crime which I followed with equal horror. What Romain Rolland wrote after the execution of those men was felt by millions of the best people in all parts of the world: "I am not an American but I love America. I accuse of high treason against America the men who have soiled her with this judicial crime before the eyes of the world." This is how millions of people are feeling today. . . .

G. H. BURCHETT
(Editor), England

Education

It is perfectly clear from the newspaper reports that the trial was mainly a political rather than a juridical action. A generation ago, I saw the protest aroused by the execution of Sacco and Vanzetti. My friends and I hope the American people will not add another such disgraceful action to their record.

Prof. D. D. KOSAMBI
Bombay, India

. . . I feel strongly that our self-respect as a nation will be enhanced by taking every precaution to see that human life is not destroyed through a miscarriage of justice.

Prof. H. H. WILSON
Princeton University

. . . The death sentence of the Rosenbergs is a product of war hysteria and unworthy of a great and powerful nation dedicated, as both our presidential candidates have stated, to peace, freedom and justice.

Prof. FRANK W. WEYMOUTH
University of California

Mr. President, I strongly urge you to exercise executive clemency in the Rosenberg Case. No one except the vengeful and the petty-minded will blame you for this. To the vast majority, to those who have faith in the greatness of our heritage, your act will be an indication of your stature as a man and a leader.

Prof. ANATOL RAPOPORT
University of Chicago

Support efforts retrial Rosenbergs. Greenglass evidence incredible.

12 staff members of
London University

I associate myself with all my heart and all my energy with those who demand that the sentence of death be commuted.

ALICE DESCOURTES
University of Neuchatel

I am convinced that the verdict was not based on the evidence, and the death sentence was wholly un-American.

Prof. STEPHEN LOVE
(Catholic layman, chairman Ill. Supreme Court's Comm. on Character & Fitness), Chicago

The Rosenbergs must not die lest the freedom of the American people die with them.

Mrs. IDELL A. UMBLES
(Negro educator), Chicago

I consider the sentence of death imposed in a trial conducted in such a cavalier manner as a crime against the universal conscience. I did not think such a thing could happen in the United States, a country where the principles of justice and liberty find defenders of the greatness of Washington and Lincoln. . . . In the name of friendship between the peoples of France and the U.S., I implore clemency and a new trial.

J. ORCEL
Prof., Natl. Natural History Museum, Paris—and his staff of research workers

I should say from what I know of this case that the death penalty for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg would be a gross miscarriage of justice.

Dr. PAUL L. WHITLEY
Franklin & Marshall College

Law, science

The dangerous precedent that it sets should call every member of the Bar into alertness, for who knows whose head may be next?

MORRIS BOGDANOV
(Attorney), Houston, Tex.

. . . It seems to me the penalty is too severe. Whatever was done was done with a friendly country that was an ally.

JAMES P. RUSSELL
(Attorney), Iowa

Having considered indictment in Rosenberg Case we feel doubt sufficient to fear grave injustice with bad effect on many friends of America. Urge clemency.

Seven medical workers at
Natl. Inst. for Medical
Research, London

The death penalty has been abolished in our country. . . . We hope some day to see all mankind's thinking converted. . . .

Dr. ALFONSO CASO
(Anthropologist), Mexico City

Politics & labor

Speaking for millions of democratic Italians, I salute your fight. I trust that Mr. Truman will want to terminate his Presidential office with an act of clemency and justice toward Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

PIETRO NENNI
Gen. Secy., Socialist
Party of Italy

I am in full agreement with the opposition against this ruthless measure . . . and join in the world-wide protest against such inhuman treatment.

JANET JAGAN
Member Town Council,
Georgetown, British Guiana

The sentence is creating doubts and pain in the hearts of all just men. Simple decency calls for a new trial.

FERNANDO SANTI
Deputy, Italian parliament; secy., Italian Gen. Confdn. of Labor

These British trade unions have urged a new trial: London Dist. Comm., Amal. Engineering Union; London Trades Council; Gateshead branch, Soc. of Locomotive Engineers; maintenance workers at Paddington Hospital, London.

Among others urging a new trial: Prof. Francis R. Walton, Fla. State U.; Anna Seghers, Berlin; Tokyo Lawyers Corporate Office (36 signatories); Japan Peace Comm., Tokyo; Congress of Japanese Intellectuals (over 400 scientists, artists, musicians, religious leaders, etc.); Natl. Assembly of Women annual meeting, London; 50 oil refinery workers on the Isle of Grain.

Among others who have protested the severity of the sentence: Dr. Charles Morris, U. of Chicago; Asst. Prof. W. G. Houk, St. Lawrence U.; Rev. E. J. Eostetler, Chardon, Ohio; F. J. Cavigliolli, French govt. laureate architect, N. Africa, and 80 friends; Rev. Edward Baker, Portland, Ore.; Prof. Eda Lou Walton; G. Duchene, woman pacifist leader, France.

D. N. Pritt's Analysis of the Rosenberg Case

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The GUARDIAN has reprinted this brilliant and dispassionate document, terming the case "an offense against all standards of Anglo-Saxon justice," in a 16-page, pocket-size pamphlet entitled

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LABOR

UE demands fail in Harvester strike

FOR 87 days, 30,000 United Electrical Workers members (Farm Equipment divn.) held their strike solid against the gigantic Intl. Harvester Co. The company flatly refused to sign again with FE-UE, used scabs, intimidation by press and police and a murder frame-up against one union leader, Harold Ward. The strike was precipitated by IH's down-grading and wage-cutting order in August, which signaled a general big business assault to break wages and unions that stood in the way.

At last GUARDIAN's press time there was only the bare announcement of a settlement (reported here in too-hopeful terms). In fact, the company had not gained its prime objective, destruction of the union; FE-UE remained—but it was forced to yield on key incentive, reclassification and grievance procedures demanded by IH.

CIO LEADERS BLAMED: FE-UE was in a tough spot because AFL unions and the CIO United Auto Workers in Harvester had already surrendered on these points. Commented UE News in reporting the settlement:

While the Harvester strikers enjoyed the support of rank-and-file UAW-CIO workers in plants organized by that union, the UAW-CIO leadership cooperated with the company in a strikebreaking role during the course of the strike. At Richmond, Ind., UAW-CIO organizers were behind the scene attempting to sign up a back-to-work movement, and phony decertification proceedings were instituted in four of the struck plants with the connivance of Harvester and UAW-CIO officials.

Workers in those four plants remain temporarily without a contract pending new elections. Gerald Fielde, chairman of FE-UE's Harvester Conference Board, said:

"Actually, the necessity for strike action was brewed . . . when big business, seeing the war economy could not produce prosperity but was threatening economic chaos and depression instead, decided the sole means of guaranteeing maximum profits was to wring more out of the workers. There was but one road to this goal—bust the sincere unions, slash wages, apply the speed-up whip. . . .

"While endeavoring to overcome the effects of the AFL and CIO settlements in the Milwaukee and Melrose Park plants, it became clear to FE-UE leaders and members that the company, encouraged by the national election results and the return to work for some, was prepared to go the limit against our union. Under such circumstances, despite the justice of union demands, it would have been incorrect to sacrifice the membership to a starve-out operation an deventual return to work without a contract. . . . Hence on terms substantially the same as in the UAW-CIO contract, an agreement was signed by FE-UE."

What's ahead for labor?

What is labor's job under a GOP administration? In a special statement to the GUARDIAN, Hugh Bryson, president of the West Coast Marine Cooks and Stewards Union, gives his views:

NOW we have to unite. If the labor leaders of this country can face, accept and act on this simple truth, labor, despite an anti-labor administration, can make great advances in the next four years. Those who continue labor disunity are selling out and the cost of their sell-out to the working people of this country will be tragic.

Labor leaders linked to the outgoing administration received nothing from that administration except assistance in raiding anti-administration unions.

By joining with labor leaders who were never sucked in by the Truman administration and by working for one united labor movement they can now redeem their sins.

There are 45 million unorganized workers, 15 million organized in this country. If the leaders of the 15 million join together to organize the unorganized, instead of disorganizing the already organized, we can have a labor movement that can defeat the political maneuvers of any political party, including the Republican. And this labor unity can be achieved if every labor leader respects the autonomous rights of every other union to conduct its internal affairs as it sees fit, principles laid down long ago by John L. Lewis.

The rank and file workers of this country will inevitably rebel against raiding and union-busting and join together in one labor movement and—yes—one labor party to protect and increase labor's interests, the interests of the overwhelming majority of the people of this great country.

Top scientists tear holes in trial story

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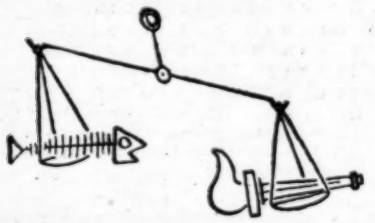
trial publicity" [which constituted] . . . "prosecution without defense."

It pointed to the 30,000 column inches in New York's metropolitan press devoted to lurid tales of atom-bomb intrigues and the imminence of atom-bomb destruction—a hysteria campaign that continued uninterruptedly for a 14-month period preceding and lasting through the Rosenberg trial. The trial by press, the petition states, "inexorably preconditioned the public mind to acceptance of the petitioners' guilt:

> The trial itself became a mere formality, to give judicial confirmation to evidence already imbedded in the memory of the jury.



The petition contains affidavits of four world-renowned scientists who, after studying the trial record, agree that the material allegedly transmitted by the Rosenbergs was not only not secret but well-known to the scientific world by 1940. Greenglass, who pleaded guilty to the charge against him, testified that he drew diagrams (the government's four major exhibits) wholly from memory and without outside aid at the time of the trial. But these were the opinions of the scientists:

- JAMES G. CROWTHER (Britain): It would have been "impossible" for Greenglass to produce the exhibits after a lapse of nearly six years "relying" solely on memory and without any outside aid."
- THOMAS REEVE KAISER (Britain): It was "improbable" that Greenglass could have reconstructed three of the exhibits, "inconceivable" that he could have produced the fourth without technical aid.
- JACQUES S. HADAMARD (France): The performance was "highly improbable" and "inconceivable."
- J. D. BERNAL (British physicist): Fully documents the non-secret nature of the material allegedly transmitted; concludes that at the time of transmission it "would not be of substantial advantage to a foreign nation."

The scientists took note of Greenglass' lack of technical training (he did not go beyond high school, flunked eight courses he took in a single semester at a polytechnical institution). The petition charges Greenglass lied when he testified he had no aid in drawing his exhibits; says it can prove books were made accessible to him while awaiting trial and that he consulted during that time with Harry Gold, a confessed atom spy. His evidence, it asserts, was

. . . literally "manufactured" for trial.

"NOT IRREVOCABLE:" With time running out, the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case (1050 Sixth Ave., N. Y.) was still confident that the growing worldwide movement for clemency would prevail:

> The Supreme Court refusal to review the case is a tragic, but not an irrevocable error. [It] can and must be corrected by President Truman through the exercise of executive clemency.
>
> We believe the President will be responsive to the plea for clemency already joined in by hundreds of thousands of Americans, providing that the number is multiplied by many times. We believe [he] will respect the unanimity of the entire Jewish press and the noted religious and civic figures who have been part of the great movement for clemency now stirring the country.
>
> We call upon the scores of Rosenberg Committees throughout the country to appeal to their fellow-citizens through ads, radio, television, public meetings, letters and other means. We urge the great trade unions of our country to place themselves behind this clemency appeal as they have done in the past in the Sacco-Vanzetti, Scottsboro, Martinsville and other cases.

On Saturday the committee announced:

> We are calling a nationwide gathering in Washington, D. C., for Sunday and Monday, Jan. 4 and 5, where thousands will participate in meeting, prayer and delegations to the President, Dept. of Justice, Senators, Congressmen and other public officials.

PRESSURE ON SOBELL: Other protests were called for: during the week Morton Sobell, convicted with the Rosenbergs and sentenced to 30 years, was ordered transferred to Alcatraz Island in San Francisco Bay, the government's "maximum security" penitentiary and its toughest. To Mrs. Helen Sobell, who has become a prime leader in the movement in behalf of her husband and the Rosenbergs, this was

> ". . . the latest and severest step in a protracted effort . . . to torture my husband into confessing to a crime he never committed."

The transfer would, she said, make it impossible for her to continue her defense work, deny her husband the opportunity to consult with his lawyers while new legal motions are being prepared. On Friday Federal Judge Edward Weinfeld stayed Sobell's transfer until Tuesday midnight to allow completion of a new court appeal.

The Civil Rights Congress urged all who could to join a "Holiday Delegation" to the Rosenbergs in Sing Sing on Dec. 14, the second day of Chanukah. The worldwide movement for the Rosenbergs—especially active in Britain, where the U. S. embassy was being continually picketed—was boosted during the week when 20 prominent rabbis and religious leaders of Jerusalem, including Chief Rabbinate officials, cabled President Truman urging clemency. The petition said:

> . . . We are not aware of any precedent where a person has been condemned to death in a democratic country for offenses alleged in this case in time of peace.

GHOULS: In New Haven, Conn., the local affiliate of the American Civil Liberties Union appealed to the President for clemency; the 13-member executive committee signing the plea included five Yale professors.

At the week-end a morbid note crept into the case: U. S. Marshall William Carroll, who is charged with carrying out the execution, said he had received "countless requests to actually witness the execution" (the exact day, he said, would be kept secret). The Rosenberg Committee promptly protested to Atty. Gen. J. P. McGranery against what it called an attempt to "frighten, bewilder and intimidate" its supporters:

> You cannot cancel out the appeal of hundreds of thousands of Americans for clemency with a few unnatural persons who wish to witness an execution.

DAVID GREENGLASS
He was the key

PEACE

State Dept. harries U. S. peace delegates

As people in every corner of the earth last week were preparing for representation at the World Peace Congress in Vienna starting Dec. 12, the U. S. State Dept. alerted its outposts to apprehend and question 17 Americans who attended the Asian-Pacific regional peace conference in Peking last month. The department announced it will check the 17 for possible violation of pasport regulations, reported that none has yet returned to the U. S.

THOMAS MANN
Europe's air is freer

Whatever harassing value the department's announcement might have, the U. S. Sponsoring Comm. for Representation at the Peoples for Peace (66 Edgewood Av., New Haven 11, Conn.) went ahead with its work. Comprising now more than 55 religious, labor, educational and civic leaders, the committee was joined last week by Rev. Donald G. Lothrop of the Community Church of Boston. He said:

> "Believing that all peoples should work for peace and that none should monopolize such work, I do heartily join with you to sponsor the effort to have an adequate and representative delegation from the U. S. . . ."

A NOBEL PRIZE WINNER: A similar sponsoring committee in Great Britain of 71 prominent leaders announced last week that more than 100 delegates to Vienna are already pledged in that country. Among the British sponsors is Dr. Richard Lawrence Millington Synge, Fellow of the Royal Society, who recently shared this year's Nobel Prize for chemistry.

In Vienna world-famed novelist Thomas Mann, who fled the Nazis to become a U. S. citizen, told newsmen he plans to spend his remaining years in Europe, noting that "freedom of opinion is rather restricted at the present time in the U. S." He declined to say if he planned to attend the Peace Congress, but said he was pleased at the participation of such personalities as Jean Cocteau, Jean Paul Sartre and Pablo Picasso. For himself, he said:

> "My task is to use my gifts to make mankind happier and more peace-minded."

THE LAW

Flaxer won't inform; freed, re-indicted

For a while last week it seemed the U. S. had revived its ancient hate of the blacklist, labor won a victory.

Abram Flaxer, pres. of United Public Workers, had refused to turn over UPW membership lists to the McCarran Senate sub-committee; he was cited for contempt on that count as well as for refusing under the Fifth Amendment to disclose his beliefs or affiliations.. Conservative labor leaders in the AFL Brotherhood of Carpenters applauded him; Hugo Ernst, AFL Hotel & Restaurant Employees pres., hailed him as a champion against blacklisting.

Early in the week Judge Burnita S. Matthews ruled Flaxer was within his rights in refusing to discuss his own affiliations, and dismissed the indictments on that count. Then Flaxer went to trial for protecting his membership lists. Asst. U. S. Atty. William Hitz said he was not ready to proceed, and Chief Dist. Judge Bolitha Laws dismissed all remaining charges. But before labor could claim a victory a federal grand jury on Thursday re-indicted Flaxer, this time solely for refusing to turn over names of union members in federal, state or city employ.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE — IN NATIONAL GUARDIAN

SCIENCE

Super-bomb has Wall St. worried

News of the use of hydrogen in A-bomb tests at Eniwetok Nov. 1 brought mixed reactions. Wartime A-bomb chief Gen. Leslie Groves said he was now "perfectly able to sleep quietly at night." Also presumed happy were the 117 Du Ponts on trial in Chicago for monopolizing a $5 billion industrial empire (they control designing, building and operating the Savannah River H-bomb plant, called the "largest industrial project ever attempted"). Challenging the Du Ponts' claim of patriotic service for handling the plant for a nominal $1 fee, government anti-trust atty. Hotchkiss said he would ask on cross-examination

> ". . . who paid for the materials that went into the plants, and who made profits on those materials . . . [and] if new monopolies are being created under the guise of a $1 fee" (Wall St. Journal, 11/10.)

NEW DANGERS: Big business in general, and official Washington, were less happy because:

- They do not have the H-bomb yet, only an A-bomb fortified with heavy hydrogen—and won't have real H-bombs until 1954 or 1955 when the Du Pont plant is in operation (**Business Week,** 11/15).
- Yet there is the danger that (Ned Russell in N. Y. **Herald Tribune,** 11/20):

> . . . this hydrogen weapon will become the theme of the preventive war advocates. These reckless generals and irresponsible Congressmen may see in it . . . the means for smashing Russia with one blow.

- U. S. industry is more concentrated than Russian, hence more vulnerable to H-bombs.

Philadelphia Evening Bulletin
HOW CLEVER CAN WE GET?

- The H-bomb doesn't really alter military strategy and may never be built in large numbers. Scientists interviewed by **WSJ** (11/19) explained:

> "Even an improved hydrogen bomb will probably cost around seven times as much as a 1952 atom bomb and destroy only four times as large an area."

- Solving no military problems, it creates political ones, contributing to the "sharp slowdown in European defense buildup" (**WSJ,** 11/19) by making "more difficult" the already "tricky task of holding together the new Western coalition." (**NYHT,** 11/20).

JUST WAIT 20 YEARS: The press failed to note another danger: that the H-bomb furore may help put the U. S. far behind in peaceful atomic energy development. France is working in this direction; Britain will probably start an atomic plant to supply power to industry within a year and "will beat the U. S." in this respect (**WSJ,** 11/17). The U. S. S. R. is "deeply interested" in such development, since it

> ". . . opens up before humanity colossal opportunities for increasing the productive forces, for technical and cultural progress and for multiplying the social wealth" (Malenkov's report to CP Congress).

The best that President Truman could promise for the U. S. last week was that atomic energy will be used for peaceful purposes "before another generation" (**N. Y. Times,** 11/20).

Freedom of assembly granted in Hartford

LAST Sept. 4 the Board of Education of Hartford, Conn., granted the Peoples Party use of Weaver High School Auditorium for a concert Nov. 15. When it was announced that Paul Robeson would be featured, some veterans' groups and individuals loudly protested. On Nov. 7 the Board met again, voted 6 to 3 to uphold its earlier decision. Said Board pres. Lewis Fox:

> "Freedom of speech and assembly are two of the most cherished rights granted by the American constitution and a vigilant upholding of those rights could strengthen democracy."

Others of the majority said:

> "We can't be trying to decide for the people what they should hear and think. . . . We preach equality. We've got to practice it. The Peoples Party is a recognized party and we've got to treat it equally, legally."

The Board's action stirred up even shriller demands to ban the concert. On Nov. 11 the City Council voted 6-3 to urge the Board to reconsider; it declined. Some newspapers urged a boycott of the concert.

YAWNING COPS: From other sources came support for freedom of speech and assembly. The Unknown Soldier chapter of the Disabled American Veterans, the Hartford Womens Divn. of the American Jewish Congress, and the Hartford **Courant** all backed the Board. So did some 28 civic leaders, including a retired Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court and a former mayor of the city.

PAUL ROBESON
Hartford's still in the Union

At concert time Saturday night, the chief of police personally led a force of about 250 cops assigned to "guard" the school. But 600 persons attended the concert, enthusiastically applauded Robeson and others, including Hartford-born Negro singer Hope Foye and the Jewish Peoples Chorus. There were no "incidents."

Next day the city government faced a new headache: the Police Dept.'s bill for overtime totaled $4,000.

WAR & PEACE

Korea peace hopes mount as U.S. allies back India's truce plan

PEACE in devastated Korea—or extension of war in the Far East, perhaps beyond human power to limit? The global debate on the question with which all others had become meshed was reaching a climax at the week-end, as UN delegates exchanged views on India's new and challenging proposals. At GUARDIAN press time the outcome could not yet be foreseen, but three things were clear:

- **The Indian plan had brought to a head the crisis of the Korea truce talks, ostensibly deadlocked over the U.S. attempt to set new "voluntary" principles of POW repatriation.**
- **After almost 2½ years of a bloodbath recognized everywhere as futile, the peoples' hunger for peace was reflected as never before in delegates' speeches.**
- **India's proposal that all POW's be released at once after a cease-fire, and that final disposition of "won't-go-home" prisoners be one among many questions to be decided by a high-level political conference after 90 days, had opened a new phase by putting the POW problem in its proper place relative to the whole problem of peace in the Far East.**

NEUTRAL REPATRIATORS: Pending such a conference, India proposed a four-member neutral Repatriation Commission (Poland, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland were suggested—but specifically excluding permanent Security Council members)—to whom all POW's would initially be released. Using no force either to effect or prevent their return home, it would grant full access by both sides to explain POWs' rights and other details. An "umpire" agreed upon by the commission would cast a deciding vote in case of a deadlock on repatriation arrangements.

V. K. KRISHNA MENON (L.)
India's UN delegate, with Peru's
DR. VICTOR A. BELAUNDE

Exclusion of permanent Security Council members was proposed, said India's Krishna Menon, because of China's exclusion from UN in which it would be a permanent Council member if admitted. Menon asked—and most members who spoke last week seemed willing to grant—agenda priority for the Indian proposal over all others; and that if the Assembly accepted it, it should be transmitted to the Chinese and N. Korean authorities "inviting their acceptance."

MURDER BY AMENDMENT? At the week-end the U.S. flatly announced it would reject India's formula without three key amendments, which would sterilize in advance the essence of the political-conference-in-90-days proposal. But the mounting demand at home for peace clearly affected the positions taken by U.S. allies.

The first expression from Britain's Anthony Eden—made after a lunch with President-elect Eisenhower—was support of India's resolution with two comparatively mild amendments. By Saturday, when the U.S. amendment demands were presented to Eden requesting his support, British fears of extension of the war were intensified by Eisenhower's choice of John Foster Dulles as Secy. of State. On Sunday the N.Y. **Times** reported that U.S. insistence on its three amendments had

> **. . . brought into the open a serious split between the U.S., on the one hand, and Britain, Canada and other countries, on the other.**

Syngman Rhee's Foreign Minister Y. D. Yang violently opposed the Indian resolution. Czechoslovakia and the Ukraine reiterated their support of the U.S.S.R.'s earlier resolution but said they were giving India's careful study. Other speakers, while guardedly favorable, all spoke of "necessary amendments." But India, as Menon said, had taken "bits and pieces that have evolved all these months and tried to put them together to make a bridge between . . . two conflicting points of view"; and the question was whether further attempts to make the resolution mean all things to all men might make it acceptable to none.

The U.S.S.R. at the week-end modified its resolution (proposing a new 11-nation Korean Commission) to provide that "the question of complete repatriation of POW's" after cease-fire should be left to the Commission, rather then agreed on in advance.

"THE PEOPLE DON'T KNOW": Some hope that India's bridge of compromise might pass the blueprint stage was to be found in the more sober thinking on the POW issue coming from anti-Communist sources. London's **New Statesman & Nation,** while approving the "obvious humanity" of refusing to "compel [POW's] to go back at bayonet point" editorialized (11/15):

> **A prisoner, especially when he is illiterate, is psychologically as well as physically at the mercy of the detaining Power. . . . A handful of British soldiers committed . . . crimes in the service of the Germans and Japanese, and no one claimed that it was inhuman to repatriate them forcibly and to punish them after they had been court-martialed. Why then, as Mr. Vishinsky asks, should the Western powers object to the return of all Chinese prisoners, even if a minority of them are liable to severe punishment when they get home? . . . The force of his argument . . . cannot be denied. Humanity is not all on one side in this controversy.**

Drawing by Fred Wright

In a letter to the **Wall St. Journal** (11/19), Newark Provident & Loan Assn. pres. Frederick Hoadley wrote:

> **To me it seems clear as day that any so-called principle . . . is immoral if its necessary consequence is to bar and preclude effective negotiations for peace . . . indefinitely prolonging war's carnage and destruction. And that, it seems to me, is the inevitable result of our obstinate rejection of an unconditional exchange of prisoners. How can one suppose the enemy will take our word for it that some thousands of their people beg to remain our prisoners of war? . . .**

Arizona Star publisher William Mathews wrote to the N.Y. **Times** (11/20):

> **. . . The American people . . . do not know they are condoning an official breach of a treaty that their representatives signed in Geneva in July, 1949. . . . If what we now demand had been in effect in 1945 German, Italian and Japanese prisoners that were brought to the U.S. could have, by objecting to repatriation, remained in our country forever as political refugees and without any authority from Congress.**

THE HELLHOLE: The **WSJ** (11/17) reported letters pouring "by the thousands" into "Ike's mailbag" on the eve of his Korea trip; "Korea war end is favorite topic." From Korea, Chicago **Daily News'** Ernie Hill (11/10) reported GI's "want to get out of the Korean hellhole"; one soldier, W. D. Mendonca of Watsonville, Ga., charged the U.S. was

> **. . . running a proving ground in Korea to try out all our new weapons and planes.**

Yet the **NYT** (11/21) described Eisenhower and Dulles as

> **. . . very skeptical about the chances of obtaining an armistice through any of the proposals now before the General Assembly.**

And the **WSJ** (11/17) described Eisenhower's aides as in "remarkable agreement [with] Dulles' theory of an aggressive foreign policy," which would include:

- **Formal denunciation of the Yalta agreement.**
- **Subsidizing of underground groups in E. Europe.**
- **Setting Chiang's troops to making raids on China.**

Rep. Joseph Martin (R-Mass.), "the most powerful man on Capitol Hill in the new administration" and soon to be Speaker of the House, in an interview with **Newsweek** (11/24) called for:

- **Increasing Japanese military power.**
- **Building up Chiang's forces "so they can return to the mainland to fight."**
- **Encouraging "rebellions" in China.**

UNWANTED TENSIONS: The desire for an even more "aggressive foreign policy" was unconcealed by leading Republicans; as the Philadelphia **Inquirer** pointed out, continuing U.S. prosperity depended on "maintaining international tensions." (The **NYT,** 11/22, already announced: "COMMODITIES DROP ON TRUCE PICTURE.") But the tensions were mounting where they were least wanted: calling at the White House for a briefing from Truman last week, Eisenhower got a "grim picture of the Administration's foreign worries" (**WSJ,** 11/18). These were two of the negative tensions contributing to Washington grimness last week:

- UN's Educational, Scientific and Cultural Orgn., after Franco Spain was admitted to membership and a further cut was made in its budget largely due to U.S. and Western pressure, was "split wide open" (N.Y. **Herald Tribune,** 11/23) with a series of resignations including that of its director general, Mexico's Torres Bodet. UNESCO publications (a recent one is designed to correct the misuse of the word "race" and false ideas of "race superiority") have been barred from entering Spain, and pro-Franco Roman Catholics have been leading a violent attack on the organization in the U.S.

Spain simultaneously recovered its administrative rights in the international zone of Tangier, N. Africa, lost because of Franco's aid to the Axis in World War II. In Washington, where a $125 million loan to Spain has been authorized by Congress, President Truman was petitioned by 400 leading U.S. Protestants to stop using

> **. . . American money to keep in power a government which encourages the persecution of men, women and children, because they confess the same Protestant faith as do the majority of Americans from whom the money comes.**

- Despite strenuous U.S. opposition, UN's Special Political Committee approved an Asian-Arab resolution to establish a UN commission to study whether S. Africa's race-segregation policy violates the Charter. S. Africa's G. P. Jooste again defied the UN majority decision.

SUCCESS IN GREECE: With the Korean situation calling for massive concentration of available dollars and military power in the Far East if the "aggressive foreign policy" is to be pursued there, Eisenhower was faced with a "major economic crisis" in Western Europe: "objective students" wondered "how long such countries as Britain and France can hold out" (Sylvia Porter, N.Y. **Post,** 10/29).

Washington took consolation in Greece: while bitterly critical in UN of the principle of one state influencing the domestic affairs of another, it had shown its "sympathy for" and given "covert support" to Marshal Papagos (**NYT,** 11/17), thereby helping his bloc win the Greek elections. The elections were held under new regulations eliminating proportional representation, with neither soldiers nor women entitled to vote. The Women's Intl. Democratic Fedn. protested at UN over the fact that Greece is the only European member state where women cannot vote.

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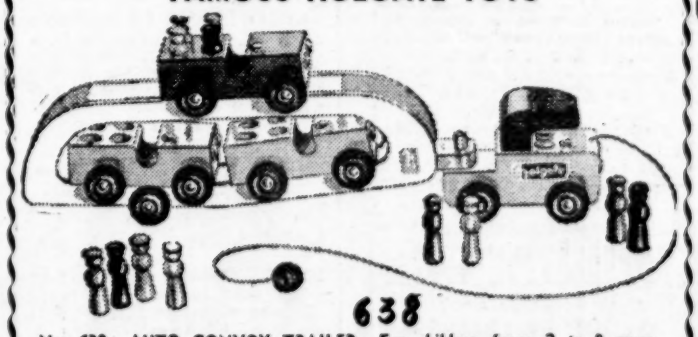

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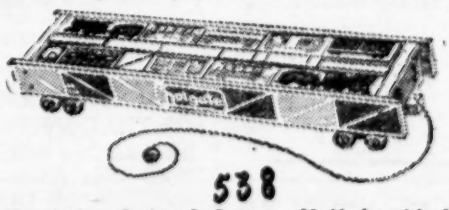

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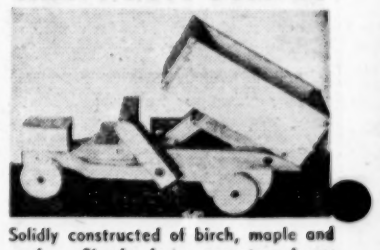

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